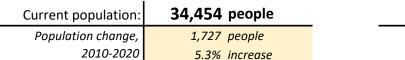
### **COUNTY PROFILE**

# Nicollet Co.

Nicollet Co. is a part of Economic Development Region 9, which is located in the Southwest Planning Region.

### **POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS**

Nicollet Co.'s population increased this decade, ranking as the 19th fastest growing of the 87 counties in the state from 2010 to 2020. It is now the 32nd largest in the state. Nicollet Co.'s population has a younger median age than the state and a larger percentage of people aged 65 years and older. The population is aging, especially as the Baby Boom generation moves through the population pyramid (see Figure 1).



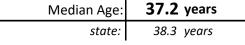
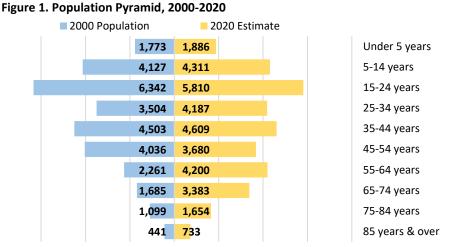


Table 1. Population by Age Group, 2020 Number **Percent** Under 5 years 1,886 5.5% 4,311 12.5% 5-14 years 5,810 16.9% 15-24 years 25-34 years 4.187 12.2% 13.4% 35-44 years 4,609 45-54 years 3,680 10.7% 55-64 years 4,200 12.2% 65-74 years 3,383 9.8% 75-84 years 1,654 4.8% 85 years & over 733 2.1% **Total Population** 34,454 100.0% Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates



Nicollet Co. enjoyed a natural increase - more births than deaths from 2010 to 2019, but also experienced net in-migration - meaning more people moved in than moved out. Despite suffering domestic out-migration, Nicollet Co. welcomed net international in-migration - gaining new Minnesotans from foreign countries (see Table 2).

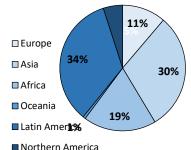
Table 2. Components of Population Change, 2010-2019								
	Total	April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2019						
	Population	Natural	Vital E	vents	Net Migration			
	Change	Increase	Births	Deaths	Total	International	Domestic	
Nicollet Co.	1,545	1,441	3,508	2,067	112	333	-221	
State of Minnesota	335,705	250,488	637,356	386,868	88,161	114,414	-26,253	

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

Compared to the state, Nicollet Co. has a smaller percentage of foreign-born residents. From 2010 to 2019, Nicollet Co. saw an increase in the number of foreign-born residents, which was faster than the statewide increase.

Table 3. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born	Nicollet Co.		Change 2	010-2019	Minnesota		
Population, 2019	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Percent	Change	
Foreign-born Population	1,524	4.5%	583	62.0%	8.5%	28.9%	
Europe	171	11.2%	-85	-33.2%	9.9%	4.5%	
Asia	460	30.2%	171	59.2%	37.5%	30.3%	
Africa	286	18.8%	197	221.3%	25.5%	72.0%	
Oceania	10	0.7%	2	25.0%	0.5%	37.2%	
Americas:	597	39.2%	298	99.7%	26.6%	10.0%	
Latin America	521	34.2%	235	82.2%	24.1%	12.2%	
Northern America	76	5.0%	63	484.6%	2.5%	-7.7%	

Figure 2. Place of Birth for the Foreign Born Population, 2019

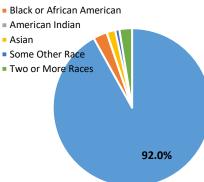


Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019 American Community Survey

Nicollet Co.'s population was becoming more racially diverse over time. Since 2000, the county's white population increased and the number of people of other races increased (see Table 4).

Figure 3. Population by Race, 2019

- White
- Black or African American
- Asian
- Two or More Races



		Nicollet Co	Minnesota		
Table 4. Race and Hispanic Origin, 2019	Number	Percent	Change from 2000-2019	Percent	Change from 2000-2019
Total	33,954	100.0%	14.1%	100.0%	13.1%
White	31,228	92.0%	8.8%	82.8%	4.7%
Black or African American	958	2.8%	300.8%	6.4%	107.6%
American Indian or Alaska Native	13	0.0%	-83.3%	1.0%	5.5%
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	592	1.7%	71.1%	4.9%	87.8%
Some Other Race	288	0.8%	48.5%	1.9%	58.1%
Two or More Races	875	2.6%	292.4%	3.0%	99.9%
Hispanic or Latino origin	1,548	4.6%	189.3%	5.4%	108.9%

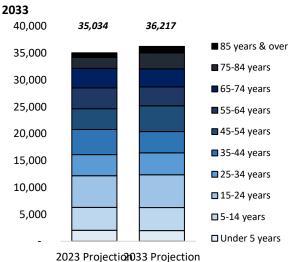
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019 American Community Survey

### POPULATION PROJECTIONS

According to the Minnesota State Demographic Center, Nicollet Co.'s population is expected to grow from 2023 to 2033, with a rate of change that is slower than the projected statewide growth rate (5.6%). In addition to the overall growth, the number of people aged 65 years and older is expected to increase over the next decade (see Figure 4 and Table 5).

Table 5. Population Projections by Age Group, 2023-2033								
	2023	2033	Numeric	Percent				
Nicollet Co.	Projection	Projection	Change	Change				
Under 5 years	2,032	1,982	-50	-2.5%				
5-14 years	4,261	4,291	30	0.7%				
15-24 years	5,904	6,080	176	3.0%				
25-34 years	3,917	4,103	186	4.7%				
35-44 years	4,672	3,950	-722	-15.5%				
45-54 years	3,861	4,786	925	24.0%				
55-64 years	3,890	3,510	-380	-9.8%				
65-74 years	3,606	3,364	-242	-6.7%				
75-84 years	2,057	2,962	905	44.0%				
85 years & over	834	1,189	355	42.6%				
Total Population	35,034	36,217	1,183	3.4%				

Figure 4. Projections by Age Group, 2023-



Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

### **EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT**

Nicollet Co. has a higher percentage of adults (18 years & over) with at least a high school diploma than the state (92.4%), and a higher percentage of people with at least some college experience. Nicollet Co. also has a higher percentage of people with an Associate's degree and a lower percentage of people with a Bachelor's degree or higher.

Percentage of the adult population (18 years & over) with at least a high school diploma:

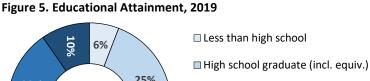
94.2%

state:

69.4% 67.1%

12.6% Associate's Degree: Bachelor's Degree: 20.1% Advanced Degree: 9.6%

College-educated:



25% 20% ■ Some college, no degree Associate's degree 13% ■ Bachelor's degree 27% ■ Advanced degree

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019 American Community Survey

### LABOR FORCE TRENDS

At 4.4%, Nicollet Co. had a lower unemployment rate than the state in 2020. Due to the pandemic recession Nicollet Co.'s unemployment rate increased compared to 2.6% in 2019, but was lower than the 6.1% rate posted in 2010. The number of unemployed workers actively seeking work in Nicollet Co. increased over the past year, and is down compared to 2010.

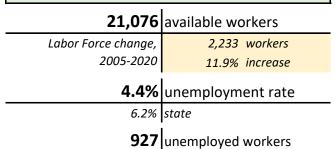


Figure 6. Annual Labor Force Estimates Minnesota Nicollet Co. **21,076** 3,150,000 21,500 21,000 3,100,000 ocal Labor Force 20,500 3,050,000 3,000,000 20,000 19,500 2,950,000 19,000 2,900,000 18,500 2,850,000 18,000 2,800,000 17,500 2,750,000

Source: DEED Local Area Unemployment Statistics

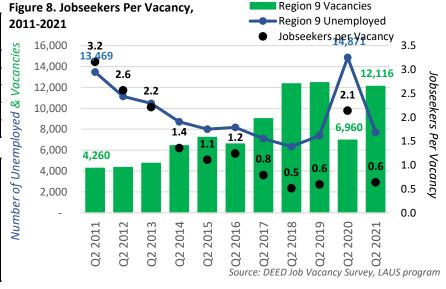
Labor force growth has slowed in recent years. After experiencing a net gain of 238.2 workers each year from 1990 to 2000, Nicollet Co. averaged an annual gain of 163.6 new workers from 2000 to 2010, and most recently a gain of 129.4 new workers since 2010 (see Figure 7). Moving forward, Nicollet Co. is expected to add workers from 2023 to 2033 (see Table 6).

Figure 7. Annual Change in Labor Force, 1990-2020 800 Average of 238 Average of 164 Average of 129 new workers per year new workers per year new workers per year Year-Over-Year Change in Available Workers 600 400 200 Λ -200 -400 -600 2018-201*S*S) 2012-2014 2011-20114 2010-2010 A 2009-2010 DED 2008-2008-2008 2013-201 1990-1991 2000-2001 1991-1992 1992-1993 1993-199 1994-1995 1995-1996 2001-2002 2002-2003 2003-2004 2004-2005 2005-2006 2014-201 2015-201 2016-201 2019-2020 1996-1997 1997-1998 1998-1999 1999-2000 2006-2007 2007-2008

Table 6. Labor Force	Labor Force Projection			
Projections, 2023-2033	2023	2033		
16 to 24 years	4,373	4,552		
25 to 54 years	10,987	11,301		
55 to 64 years	3,060	2,761		
65 years & over	1,479	1,481		
Total Labor Force	19,898	20,096		

Source: Minnesota State Demographic Center

The labor market had grown extremely tight in recent years, with less than 1 jobseeker per vacancy until the pandemic recession intervened in early 2020 and the number of unemployed workers spiked. However, by the second quarter of 2021, job vacancies in Southwest reached new highs, quickly bringing back challenges in finding new workers (see Figure 8).

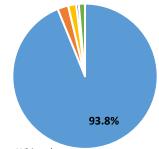


### LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS

Nicollet Co. had a higher labor force participation rate than the state. The labor force in Nicollet Co. is less racially diverse than the state (where 84.8% of workers are white alone), but is becoming more diverse over time.

Table 7. Employment Characteristics, 2							_
	N	icollet Co.		Minnesota		Nicoll	et Co.
	In Labor Force (available workers)	Labor Force Partic.	Unemp. Rate	Labor Force Partic.	Unemp. Rate	Mala	Famala
Tabal Labau Sauca		Rate	2.40/	Rate	2.60/	Male	Female
Total Labor Force	19,862	72.9%	3.1%	69.7%	3.6%	10,343	9,519
16 to 19 years	1,608	71.7%	14.6%	53.2%	11.0%		823
20 to 24 years	2,573	90.5%	7.7%	84.6%	6.0%	1,201	1,373
25 to 44 years	7,739	89.3%	1.4%	88.8%	3.2%	4,061	3,681
45 to 54 years	3,312	85.8%	0.5%	87.6%	2.7%	1,828	1,484
55 to 64 years	3,400	78.7%	1.6%	73.0%	2.8%	1,719	1,681
65 to 74 years	1,063	35.4%	0.1%	27.9%	2.2%	624	439
75 years & over	162	7.0%	0.0%	6.6%	2.4%	125	38
<b>Employment Characteristics by Race &amp;</b>	Hispanic Origin					Figure 9. La	abor Force by
White alone	18,639	73.2%	2.5%	69.3%	3.0%	Race, 2019	_
Black or African American	476	60.8%	18.5%	71.3%	8.8%		
American Indian & Alaska Native	3	33.3%	0.0%	58.9%	12.6%		
Asian or Other Pac. Islanders	350	70.9%	6.3%	71.2%	4.3%		
Some Other Race	116	94.3%	0.0%	77.7%	6.1%		<b>\</b> \\
Two or More Races	274	73.3%	12.0%	73.6%	7.4%	•	
Hispanic or Latino	736	71.7%	6.1%	76.5%	6.1%		
<b>Employment Characteristics by Disabil</b>	ity						
With Any Disability	912	43.7%	7.9%	53.0%	8.6%		93.8%
<b>Employment Characteristics by Educat</b>	ional Attainment						
Population, 25 to 64 years	14,452	85.8%	1.2%	84.5%	3.0%	White a	
Less than H.S. Diploma	433	50.3%	1.9%	66.3%	4.2%		African American
H.S. Diploma or Equivalent	2,906	77.5%	2.5%	78.5%	2.6%	America	n Indian & Alaska N
Some College or Assoc. Degree	5,747	90.3%	1.4%	85.3%	3.0%	Asian or	Other Pac. Islander
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	5,371	91.5%	0.9%	90.0%	1.7%	■ Some O	ther Race

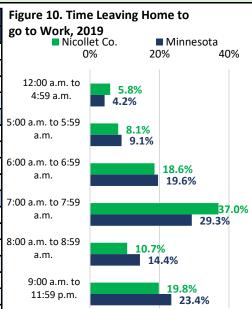
Source: 2015-2019 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates



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- Two or More Races

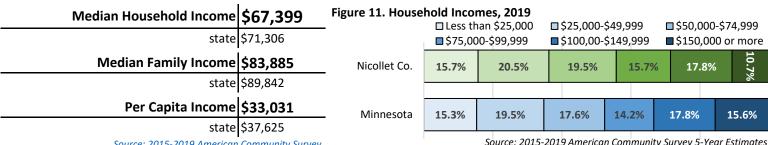
A smaller percentage of workers in Nicollet Co. worked in the same county in which they live compared to the state. Nicollet Co. also had a shorter average commute time than the state.

	Nicollet	Co.	Minne	esota
Table 8. Commuting Characteristics, 2019	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Worked in state of residence	18,614	99.7%	2,837,697	97.6%
Worked in county of residence	8,980	48.1%	1,846,247	63.5%
Worked out of county of residence	9,634	51.6%	991,449	34.1%
Worked outside state of residence	56	0.3%	69,779	2.4%
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK				
Car, truck, or van	15,533	83.2%	2,506,244	86.2%
Public transportation (excl. taxicab)	75	0.4%	101,762	3.5%
Other method (walk, bike, taxi, etc.)	934	5.0%	125,021	4.3%
Worked at home	2,128	11.4%	171,541	5.9%
TRAVEL TIME TO WORK				
Less than 10 minutes	5,004	26.8%	456,474	15.7%
10 to 19 minutes	7,823	41.9%	872,243	30.0%
20 to 29 minutes	2,931	15.7%	645,460	22.2%
30 to 44 minutes	1,643	8.8%	575,680	19.8%
45 to 59 minutes	392	2.1%	194,801	6.7%
60 or more minutes	896	4.8%	162,819	5.6%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	18.1	minutes	23.7	minutes



## **INCOMES, COST OF LIVING, & HOUSING**

Nicollet Co. had a lower median household income than the state, and a higher percentage of households with incomes below \$50,000. Overall, Nicollet Co. had the 16th highest median household income of the 87 counties in the state.



Source: 2015-2019 American Community Survey

Source: 2015-2019 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Nicollet Co. also had a lower cost of living than the state, with a required hourly wage of \$14.16 for a single person living alone to meet a basic needs cost of living, and an hourly wage requirement of \$15.72 for a typical family with 2 adults and 1 child (see Table 9).

Table 9. Basic Needs Cost of Living Estimates, 2020									
	Single Yearly	Hourly Wage	Monthly Costs						
Single Adult, 0 children	Cost of Living		Child Care	Food	Health	Housing	Trans-	Other	Taxes
	cost or ziving	ricquireu	cinia care	Care	. cou	Housing	portation	Other	Tuxes
Nicollet Co.	\$29,463	\$14.16	\$0	\$349	\$163	\$701	\$631	\$287	\$324
State of Minnesota	\$32,964	\$15.85	\$0	\$355	\$153	\$832	\$704	\$325	\$378
Typical Family: 2 Adults (1	Family Yearly	Hourly Wage			N	Ionthly Co	sts		
working full-time, 1 part-	Cost of Living	, ,	Child Care	Food	Health	Housing	Trans-	Other	Taxes
time), 1 child	Cost of Living	Required	Ciliu Care	roou	Care	Housing	portation	Other	Taxes
Nicollet Co.	\$49,042	\$15.72	\$265	\$796	\$519	\$932	\$727	\$473	\$375
State of Minnesota	\$58,800	\$18.85	\$546	\$810	\$549	\$1,069	\$819	\$515	\$592

Source: DEED Cost of Living tool

Nicollet Co. had a lower median house value than the state, having the 23rd highest value of the 87 counties in 2019. Nicollet Co.'s housing stock was newer than the state's, with a higher percentage of units built since 2000 (see Figure 12).

Table 10. Estimated Value of Owner-	Nicollet	Co.	Minnesota
occupied Housing Units, 2019	Total	Percent	Percent
Total	9,519	100.0%	100.0%
Less than \$50,000	684	7.2%	4.6%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	582	6.1%	7.8%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,404	14.7%	12.3%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	2,483	26.1%	17.9%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	2,827	29.7%	28.1%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	1,266	13.3%	21.5%
\$500,000 or more	273	2.9%	7.9%
Median (dollars)	\$191,9	\$223,900	

Source: 2015-2019 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

Figure 12. Year Structure Built, 2019 0% 10%

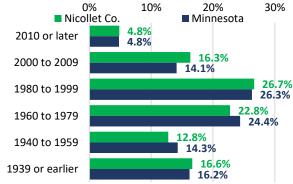


Figure 13. Housing Costs as a

Percentage of Income, 2019

15.2%

34.4%

14.2%

mortgage

30.7%

16.3%

rent

Median monthly owner costs, owner-occupied units with a mortgage

state \$1,580

Percentage of households with a mortgage spending 30% or more of their income on housing costs

Median monthly rent costs \$837

Percentage of renters spending 30% or more of their household income on rent

state 4<u>5.1</u>%

Less than 20% 25.0% to 29.9%

14.0%

20% to 24.9% 30.0% to 34.9%

52.0%

■ 35% or more

Source: 2015-2019 American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates

### **OCCUPATIONS**

At \$19.76 in 2021, wages were lower in Region 9 than the state. Overall, Region 9 had the 8th highest median hourly wage level of the 13 economic development regions in the state. Wages were highest for management occupations (\$43.81) and lowest for food preparation and serving related jobs (\$12.37) (see Table 11).

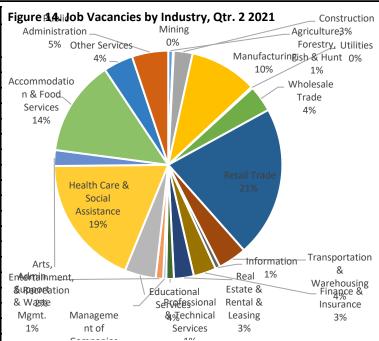
Table 11. Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, 2021							
	Region 9				State of Minnesota		
Occupational Group	Median Hourly Wage	Estimated Regional Jobs	Share of Total Jobs	Regional Location Quotient	Median Hourly Wage	State-wide Jobs	Share of Total Jobs
Total, All Occupations	\$19.76	99,840	100.0%	1.0	\$23.00	2,708,760	100.0%
Management	\$43.81	4,550	4.6%	0.8	\$54.22	164,530	6.1%
Business & Financial Operations	\$30.03	3,250	3.3%	0.5	\$35.24	179,670	6.6%
Computer & Mathematical	\$32.25	1,110	1.1%	0.3	\$44.89	98,240	3.6%
Architecture & Engineering	\$32.85	1,770	1.8%	0.9	\$38.90	54,880	2.0%
Life, Physical & Social Science	\$30.99	970	1.0%	1.0	\$35.48	26,120	1.0%
Community & Social Service	\$23.74	2,650	2.7%	1.3	\$24.21	55,630	2.1%
Legal	\$28.79	410	0.4%	0.6	\$41.02	19,760	0.7%
Education, Training & Library	\$23.19	8,770	8.8%	1.5	\$24.64	159,060	5.9%
Arts, Design, Entertainment & Media	\$19.33	1,120	1.1%	0.8	\$25.72	36,260	1.3%
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	\$33.93	5,520	5.5%	0.8	\$36.90	188,210	6.9%
Healthcare Support	\$15.59	6,000	6.0%	1.0	\$15.52	157,140	5.8%
Protective Service	\$21.49	1,420	1.4%	0.9	\$24.18	42,520	1.6%
Food Preparation & Serving Related	\$12.37	8,890	8.9%	1.2	\$13.34	195,120	7.2%
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	\$15.47	2,800	2.8%	1.0	\$16.14	74,550	2.8%
Personal Care & Service	\$13.62	2,060	2.1%	1.1	\$14.57	51,660	1.9%
Sales & Related	\$15.28	8,640	8.7%	0.9	\$16.83	250,430	9.2%
Office & Administrative Support	\$19.31	12,340	12.4%	1.0	\$20.93	338,050	12.5%
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	\$17.69	420	0.4%	2.7	\$18.14	4,230	0.2%
Construction & Extraction	\$26.49	3,620	3.6%	1.0	\$29.84	102,390	3.8%
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	\$23.98	4,250	4.3%	1.2	\$25.45	98,840	3.6%
Production	\$19.31	10,510	10.5%	1.4	\$19.82	202,240	7.5%
Transportation & Material Moving	\$18.43	8,780	8.8%	1.1	\$18.83	209,210	7.7%

Source: DEED Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics, Qtr. 1 2021

### **JOB VACANCY SURVEY**

Nicollet Co. is a part of the Southwest planning region. There were 12116 job vacancies posted by employers in the 2nd Quarter of 2021, indicating extensive opportunity in the region, with openings across several occupations and industries (see Figure 14).

Table 12. Southwest Job Vacancy Survey Results, Qtr. 2 2021							
	Number of						
Occupational Group	Vacancies	Wage Offer					
Total, All Occupations	12,116	\$15.03					
Management	238						
Business & Financial Operations	406	•					
Computer & Mathematical	48	7-0:-0					
Architecture & Engineering	86						
Life, Physical & Social Sciences	14	7					
Community & Social Service	111						
Education, Training & Library	257	•					
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	1,050						
Healthcare Support	1,618						
Protective Service	141	Ψ=0.75					
Food Preparation & Serving Related	2,080						
Building, Grounds Cleaning & Maint.	328						
Personal Care & Service	246						
Sales & Related	1,549						
Office & Administrative Support	637						
Construction & Extraction	142	\$21.47					
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	531	•					
Production	843						
Transportation & Material Moving	1,316	\$17.09					



Source: DEED Job Vacancy Survey, Qtr. 2 2021

# **OCCUPATIONS IN DEMAND**

Table 13. Southwest Occupa	Table 13. Southwest Occupations in Demand, 2020							
Less than High School	High School or Equivalent	Some College or Assoc. Deg.	Bachelor's Degree or Higher					
Home Health and Personal Care Aides	Nursing Assistants	Registered Nurses	Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education					
\$28,035	\$30,933	\$68,952	\$52,103					
Retail Salespersons	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational	Police and Sheriff?s Patrol	Physicians, All Other; and					
\$27,105	Nurses \$46,278	Officers \$58,679	Ophthalmologists, Except Pediatric NA					
First-Line Supervisors of	Automotive Service Technicians and	Electrical and Electronic						
Retail Sales Workers	Mechanics	Engineering Technologists and	Financial Managers					
\$41,484	\$35,447	\$60,317	\$99,935					
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	Medical Dosimetrists, Medical Records	Civil Engineering Technologists	,					
Truck Drivers	Specialists, and Health Technologists and	and Technicians	Civil Engineers					
\$45,441	\$41,022	\$62,577	\$86,311					
Janitors and Cleaners,	Heating, Air Conditioning, and	Diagnostic Medical	General and Operations Managers					
Except Maids and	Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers	Sonographers	-					
\$28,667	\$47,376	\$78,847	\$74,397					
Teaching Assistants, Except	Medical Assistants	Clinical Laboratory Technologists	Physician Assistants					
Postsecondary		and Technicians						
\$28,887	\$39,512	\$56,251	\$117,551					
Laborers and Freight, Stock,	Industrial Machinery Mechanics	Radiologic Technologists and	Secondary School Teachers, Except					
and Material Movers, Hand	·	Technicians	Special and Career/Technical					
\$33,694	\$49,897 Emergency Medical Technicians and	\$62,640	\$55,202					
Secretaries and	<u> </u>	Industrial Engineering	Middle School Teachers, Except					
Administrative Assistants,	Paramedics	Technologists and Technicians \$50,238	Special and Career/Technical					
\$39,529	\$34,822	Mechanical Engineering	\$54,152					
Stockers and Order Fillers	Electricians	Technologists and Technicians	Electrical Engineers					
\$28,316	\$58,008	\$45,140	\$87,297					
Office Clerks, General	Computer Numerically Controlled Tool Programmers	Physical Therapist Assistants	Construction Managers					
\$35,222	\$62,213	\$51,326	\$87,171					

Source: DEED Occupations in Demand

Nicollet Co. is a part of the Southwest planning region, which is projected to see a 0.9% increase in employment levels over the next decade. In addition to new jobs created, there will be a much larger number of exit openings (see Figure 15).

Table 14. Regional Industry Employment Projections, 2018-2028						
	Estimated Employment	Projected Employ-	Percent Change			
Southwest Planning Region	2018	ment 2028	2018-2028			
Total, All Industries	206,422	209,790	1.6%			
Natural Resources & Mining	5,776	6,171	6.8%			
Utilities	744	697	-6.3%			
Construction	7,858	8,687	10.5%			
Manufacturing	31,188	31,071	-0.4%			
Wholesale Trade	8,530	7,993	-6.3%			
Retail Trade	19,926	19,533	-2.0%			
Transportation & Warehousing	7,465	7,898	5.8%			
Information	2,549	2,364	-7.3%			
Finance & Insurance, Real Estate	7,693	7,584	-1.4%			
Professional Services & Mgmt. of Compani	5,663	6,191	9.3%			
Administrative & Waste Services	4,076	4,874	19.6%			
Educational Services	17,510	17,483	-0.2%			
Health Care & Social Assistance	30,568	32,922	7.7%			
Leisure & Hospitality	14,593	14,825	1.6%			
Other Services, Ex. Public Admin	7,423	7,058	-4.9%			
Public Administration	12,956	12,681	-2.1%			

Source: DEED 2018-2028 Employment Outlook

Figure 15. Regional Occupational Employment Projections, 2018-2028

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Management	-86	8,858		
Business & Financial	311	<b>1</b> ,746		
Computer & Mathematical	86	373		
Architecture & Engineering	76	667		
Life, Physical, & Social	78	282		
Community & Social Service	120	<b>1</b> ,981		
Legal	39	193		
Education, Training, & Library	147	5,374		
Arts, Design, Entertainment	-51	<b>1</b> ,190		
Healthcare Practitioners &	870	<b>2,9</b> 66		
Healthcare Support	424	3,475		
Protective Service	-62	995		
Food Preparation & Serving	404	10,459		
Building, Grounds Cleaning	371	3,852		
Personal Care & Service	651	6,819		
Sales & Related	-37	3 10,448		
Office & Administrative	1,267	12,390		
Farming, Fishing, & Forestry	202	<b>1</b> ,576		
Construction & Extraction	716	<b>2,8</b> 81		
Installation, Maintenance,	452	<b>2,9</b> 36		
Production	-370	7,504		
Transportation & Material	630	7,193		
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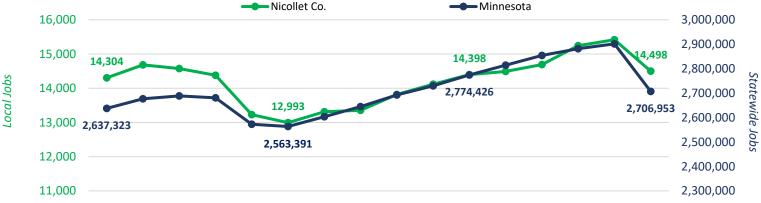
Due to the pandemic recession, after losing jobs over the past year, Nicollet Co. had the 29th largest economy of the 87 counties in the state. Nicollet Co. was the 57th fastest growing in the past year and the 17th fastest growing since 2015. From 2015 to 2020, employers in Nicollet Co. added jobs, outpacing the state.

760 business establishments \$47,195 annual average wage

14,498 jobs \$684,231,427 total industry payroll

Job change, 2015-2020 0.7% increase

Figure 16. Industry Employment Statistics, 2005-2020

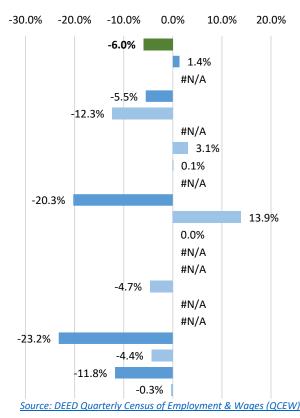


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Source: DEED QCEW program

			Average
Table 15. Nicollet Co. Industry	Number of	Percent of	Annual
Employment Statistics, 2020	Jobs	Total Jobs	Wage
Total, All Industries	14,498	100.0%	\$47,195
Agriculture, Forestry, Fish & Hunt	375	2.6%	\$41,386
Mining	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Construction	360	2.5%	\$52,270
Manufacturing	3,514	24.2%	\$48,535
Utilities	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Wholesale Trade	639	4.4%	\$63,999
Retail Trade	1,142	7.9%	\$27,768
Transportation & Warehousing	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Information	283	2.0%	\$72,853
Finance & Insurance	238	1.6%	\$57,230
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	35	0.2%	\$25,553
Professional & Technical Services	181	1.2%	\$57,526
Management of Companies	353	2.4%	\$85,272
Admin. Support & Waste Mgmt. Svcs.	429	3.0%	\$31,667
Educational Services	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Health Care & Social Assistance	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	76	0.5%	\$23,583
Accommodation & Food Services	725	5.0%	\$14,554
Other Services	428	3.0%	\$42,244
Public Administration	953	6.6%	\$57,667

Figure 2. Change in Jobs, 2019-2020



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